

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
FORT WORTH DIVISION**

JOHN SABAL,

Plaintiff,

v.

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE,

Defendant.

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Civil Action No. 4:23-cv-01002-O

ORDER

Before the Court are the parties' Joint Motion to Extend Case Deadlines (ECF No. 28), filed February 23, 2024. In the Joint Motion, the parties request a two-month extension of all deadlines, including the trial date. ECF No. 28 at 3. The Court finds good cause to **GRANT in part** and **DENY in part** the Joint Motion. Specifically, the Court **DENIES** the request to extend the trial date and related pre-trial deadlines,¹ but **GRANTS in part** the request to extend all other deadlines to the extent possible. Accordingly, the Court **MODIFIES** the Scheduling Order of December 18, 2023 (ECF No. 25) as follows:

Responsive Expert Designation & Report	March 1, 2024 April 1, 2024
Rebuttal Expert Designation	30 days 15 days after disclosure made by other party
Expert Objections	June 3, 2024
Dispositive Motions	April 12, 2024 May 7, 2024
Mediation	March 22, 2024 April 22, 2024

¹ The Court's docket cannot presently accommodate for a change of the trial date without postponing far beyond the two-month extension requested by the parties. Such a postponement would be at odds with the Court's obligation to ensure this case moves at a diligent pace toward final resolution. *See* FED. R. CIV. P. 1 (identifying the duty to "secure the just, *speedy*, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding" (emphasis added)).

Completion of Discovery	March 29, 2024 April 29, 2024
Pretrial Disclosures and Objections	May 29, 2024 Objections due 14 days thereafter
Pretrial Materials (pretrial order etc.)	June 13, 2024
Exchange of Exhibits	June 24, 2024
Pretrial Conference	To be set if necessary.
Trial Date	July 8, 2024

To accommodate these extensions, the Court further **ORDERS** an expedited briefing schedule for any dispositive motions: (1) a response will be due no later than fourteen (14) days from the date any dispositive motion is filed and (2) a reply will be due within seven (7) days from the date any response is filed. Importantly, all deadlines not modified by this order—including the July 8, 2024 trial date—remain as stated in the Court’s December 18, 2023 Scheduling Order.

SO ORDERED on this **26th day of February, 2023**.


 Reed O'Connor
 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE